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THE BIRDS OF GOD

At dawn
Your thoughts, like birds of God,
Sang to you at your play.
Tonight
The horrid beasts of war
Have driven God's birds away.

O child,
You are too young for fears,
And oh, too young for sorrow.
But clasp your little hands
And pray
That all God's birds of yesterday
May sing again tomorrow.

THE DREAM GIFT

Rest, little child, on thy mother's knee.
Softly she sings and weaves for thee,
Swift are her fingers over thy head,
Filmy and fine is the shining thread.
Sleep, my babe, while I weave and spin
A little dream to wrap thee in.